I oppose loosening the rules designed to promote and protect diversity of media ownership. These rules were adopted to ensure that the public would receive a diverse range of viewpoints from the media, and not simply the opinions of a handful of media conglomerates. The cable ownership

cap is a crucial element of our democratic media, and it should not be weakened.

Dear sir.

I wanted to ask for a brief moment of your time.

A democracy functions best with an informed and literate citizenry. A media, comprised of a diverse range of opinions, is the only way to ensure that people know what is truly going on.

The American forefathers were always suspicious of excess power and tyranny. They feared the power that the few could exercise over the many. It is hard not to think of elite, billion dollar corporations as anything but the few.

Democracy is very rarely protected in great displays and singular efforts. When this happens, it is inspiring. But the true protection of democracy is much less glamorous, and far more mundane. Democracy is protected in the countless meetings, commissions, and projects which make up our government.

Please protect our right to understand the world so that we can struggle to improve it. Sincerely,

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